



Brazoria County 4-H January 2015 News

[Brazoria County 4-H 2014-2015 Calendar](#)

Dates have moved on the Calendar. Be sure to check for updated items! Additionally be on the lookout for a special Scholarship newsletter that will be sent out to the senior level 4-Hers this month.

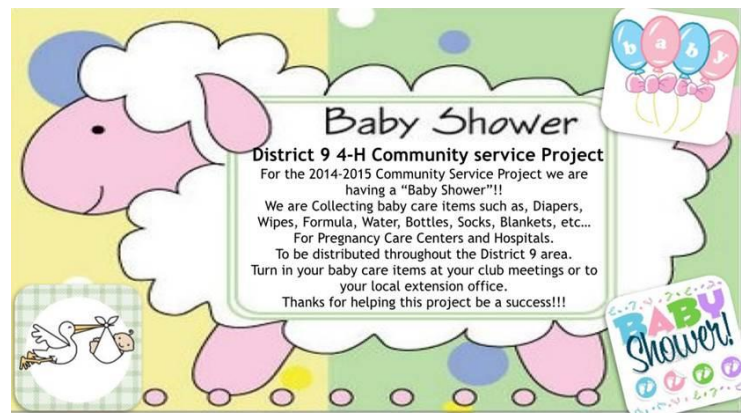
DEADLINE EXTENDED.....! Teen Retreat in Brownwood January 9-11. Senior level 4-Hers.... Are you ready for one of the best experiences of your life? You don't want to miss this event. Learn from the state level and bring it right on back to Brazoria County. Explore new projects and have a weekend of fun, fun, fun! This is one of those things you'll remember for the rest of your life, the impact is astounding. Don't wait [Register](#) now! Please view their [flyer](#) for more details.

**Teen
Retreat**

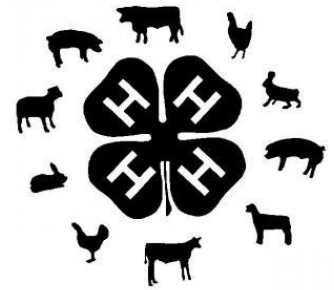


Happy New Year's from all of us here at the Brazoria County 4-H Office. We hope you had a safe and Happy Holiday. May 2015 bring you blessings beyond belief!

For this year's District 9 4-H Community Service Project we're throwing a **Baby Shower!** Bring baby care items such as Diapers, wipes, formula, bottles, socks, blankets anything you can think of baby items for donation to pregnancy care centers and hospitals. Items will be distributed throughout the whole District 9 Area.

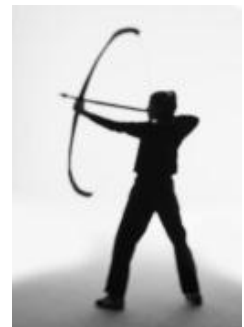


Livestock Judging Team Practice will be held Monday January 12, 2015 at 6PM at the 4-H Office. If you would like to be a part of our judging team, contact the 4-H office at 979-864-1558 to get on our list.



Club Managers; please get us your [Support Group funds form](#) into the 4-H office by January 15th.

District 9 4-H Indoor Archery Contest – January 30-31, 2015. Let's put Brazoria County on the map and show em' who's boss at the District 9 indoor archery contest in Somerville. Call our office at 979-864-1558 x 114 to let us know you plan to compete and enter into connect by January 9th. Good luck to all! [See the rules for more information.](#)



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Save The Date

District 9 4-H Council Winter Meeting
Date: Jan. 17th 5:00 - 9:00 PM.
Meeting - Dinner - Dance
@ The HorseShoe Club
Montgomery County Fair Grounds
Conroe, Tx.

Admit One (on both sides)

WHO CAN COME: Any District 9 4-H Members

Register on 4-H Connect. More info on the D9 Website & Facebook

January 17, 2015- D9 Council Winter Meeting, Dinner and Dance will be held at the Montgomery County Fairgrounds starting at 5:00 pm. Register on 4-H Connect today! More information can be found on the D9 Website and Facebook.



January 19- 4-H Office Closed in Observance of Martin Luther King Jr



Remember Houston Broilers arrive **January 29th**; make sure you're ready and waiting for our call when we get back in the county with the chicks.



County Council meeting **Monday, January 26 at 7pm.** This year we will be warming up for the super bowl, so wear your favorite sports team jersey and come enjoy some nachos and wings and take part in sports competitions 4-H style!



January 26- Adult Leader Meeting- 7PM



SENIORS– It’s scholarship time! Every year Brazoria County seniors receive scholarships from Texas 4-H – this is your year! By completing this one application your name is put in the pool for over 200 scholarships through Texas 4-H including approximately 21 \$16,000 scholarships given by San Antonio Stock Show, 71 \$10,000 scholarships given by Dick Walrath, and 70 \$15,000 scholarships given from HLSR, these numbers don’t include all the scholarships from individual donors and other business.

There is a [great online tutorial](#) that will answer many of your questions. The training covers the guidelines and requirements for applying for a Texas 4-H Opportunity Scholarship, as well as detailed instruction and direction for each of the application pages. The total presentation is approximately two hours in length.

Applications are due to the county office **January 31st**. Forms and details can be found on the [Texas 4-H](#) website and the [Brazoria County 4-H](#) website. Call Shane if you have any questions.



Don’t forget about the Brazoria County Fair Association’s scholarships either. This is an awesome opportunity for all our 4-Hers to further their education. Apply today if you have participated in [Breeding Beef](#), [Steer](#) or the [Calf Scramble](#) at the fair. There are also two [General Scholarships](#) available as well. One is available for each school in Brazoria County (\$4,000.00) and one for BBQ (\$3,000.00) that don’t need the requirement of participation to the previously stated events.

Additionally the Brazoria County Cattlemen's Association has a [scholarship](#) available for \$2,000.00 to a Brazoria County 12th grade student wishing to pursue a career in veterinary medicine or who intends to be in any other agricultural related field.



While you’re at it...It’s a contest that the Agriculture Council of America has announced the National Ag Day Essay Contest topic as **Agriculture: Sustaining Future Generations**. Students (grades 9-12) are invited to submit an original, 450-word essay or a two-minute video essay about the importance of agriculture. The national written essay winner and video essay winner will each receive a **\$1,000 prize and round-trip ticket to Washington, D.C.**, for recognition during the Celebration of Ag Dinner. The deadline to apply is **January 30, 2015**. Visit their [website](#) to read official contest rules and for more details regarding

entry applications.

The theme presents an opportunity for students to either write an essay and/or create a video that acknowledges the many ways today’s growers are providing a safe, stable food supply and sustaining the significant role agriculture plays in everyday life.

*Educational programs of the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service are open to all people without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, genetic information or veteran status.
The Texas A&M University System, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the County Commissioners Courts of Texas Cooperating*



Beef Quiz Bowl is a great way to expand or start your beef project. Beef Quiz Bowl is an exciting, fast paced opportunity for youth to display their knowledge of the beef industry and the science surrounding beef cattle. The bowl is played as a double elimination

tournament with teams of three to four players going head-to-head for top honors. Junior, Intermediate, and Senior county teams will work towards competing at HLSR Beef Quiz Bowl and District 9 Roundup on May 1-2nd. Practices will be held the 2nd Monday of the month starting in **February 15 at 5:30pm** at the 4-H office conference room. Contact [Shane Jennings](mailto:Shane.Jennings@hlsr.org) by e-mail or call 979-864-1558 if you have any questions.



Major Shows are getting started this month; passes will be mailed out to you in the upcoming months. Fort Worth Stock Show and Rodeo (January 16- February 7th) have already been sent. Be looking for the other Major Show passes in the mail as well. As you prepare for your trip be sure to review the Livestock Premium book rules for each show and the updates on each show's website.

[Fort Worth Stock Show and Rodeo](#)
[San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo](#)
[Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo](#)
[Star of Texas in Austin](#)



SAVE THE DATE – March 28, 2015
County Round Up





Get Brazoria County 4-H Updates and Reminders sent straight to your phone! Now you have every reason to stay connected with the latest activities. Join the Brazoria County 4-H Text Message list by texting the code **@brazoria4h** to the number **469-518-2911**. Let's do this! Be part of the solution and a proactive member of your 4-H family today.